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LIGHTENING CONDUCTOR AT MONUMENTS
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a)whether all the 140 A.S.I. protected monuments in Delhi have been protected against lightening/Thunderstorm by providing latest equipments;

(b)the number of cases recorded during the last year where the lightening has struck the monuments; and

(c)the preventive steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) to (c)In Delhi, the Qutb Minar, the Humayun`s Tomb, the Safdarjung Tomb and the Quila-i-Kuhna Mosque in Purana Quila have been provided with lightning conductors so far. However, the work of providing lightning conductors and maintenance of those already fixed on the monuments has been assigned to the Central Public Works Department which is the competent authority in such a task. Furthermore, it is stated that no protected monument in Delhi has been struck by lightning during the last one year.